



# **BWB BIO Flame Photometer**



# Just Add Gas





# Flame photometers that push the boundaries of low temperature flame analysis.

Analysis with a low temperature propane, LPG, or butane flame has been redefined by BWB Technologies.







# **Our Mission**

To redefine the boundaries of Flame Emission Spectroscopy (FES) by supplying unique, cost effective, reliable and accurate flame photometers (and related products) and to build strong, lasting relationships with our customers by providing the best customer service in the industry.

### About BWB Technologies

BWB Technologies is a UK company focused on the design, manufacture and sales of award winning flame photometers. Drawing on an Anglo-American team of leading industry specialists, we strive to create high quality, cost effective products that redefine what is achievable with a low temperature flame. From our manufacturing plant in Newbury, England, BWB Technologies have introduced a series of flame photometer products and accessories which exceed existing expectations in terms of specification, usability, accuracy, reporting, build quality and value for money.

### International support network

BWB Technologies are the only flame photometer manufacturer to have dedicated sales and technical support offices in Europe, The America's and the Middle East. We offer an unsurpassed level of customer support with a 24/7 support service and real people answering customer calls.

## Pushing the boundaries of flame photometry

What can be achieved with a flame photometer has been redefined by BWB Technologies. With unrivalled accuracy, low cost and ease of use the BWB flame photometer is not only the best flame photometer available but is the first real alternative to AAS (atomic absorption spectrometry) and ICP (Inductively Coupled Plasma) for measuring Lithium (Li), Sodium (Na), Potassium (K), Calcium (Ca), Caesium (Cs) and Barium (Ba). The recent introduction of industry specific products for Biological samples, Sugar, Nuclear and others further defines BWB Technologies as the leader in "next generation" flame photometers.

### Best customer service in the industry

- International telephone service available 24/7, with local access numbers in Europe, the USA and the Middle East
- An international distributor network servicing the needs of customers in over 100 countries.
- Fast delivery of spare parts and consumables backed by extensive inventory in multiple strategic locations.
- Pre-sales application specific product selection assistance
- 100's of hours of video training available in a wide choice of languages
- Technically competent customer service staff
- ISO9001 Certified manufacturer
- Excellent Globally acclaimed after-sale support and service by Value Added Distributors and Internet based assistance from GMT and PST time zones.

### **Contact Information**

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# **Common Features**

All BWB products are built around the same innovative product design and world leading technologies, sharing the same core features across the range.

# Just add gas!

BWB have revolutionised the flame photometry market by offering an instrument with all accessories supplied as standard. This means that the process of ordering a BWB flame photometer is incredibly simple. There are no complex product codes, accessory lists or ordering requirements. When you order a BWB flame photometer it will arrive with all the accessories you need.

# Up to 5 Channels of simultaneous detection and display

The ability to measure and calibrate up to 5 different ions at the same time offer huge advantages over more traditional instrumentation. As the BWB is the first and only flame photometer to offer simultaneous detection and display, our customers do not need to waste valuable time changing filters and re-calibrating when a different measurement is required.

# Built-in air compressor

Greatly reduces noise and laboratory footprint while increasing instrument stability, accuracy and reproducibility.

## Advanced calibration system

The ability to store calibration data and perform multi-mode calibrations reduces analysis time significantly and increases accuracy.

## Interfaces

Connect to your PC using USB 2. A 0-2.5volt output is supplied as standard for a chart recorder or for process control a 4-20mA output is available.

# New modern technology offers increased accuracy and reliability

Introduced in 2005, the BWB flame photometer was designed from the ground up, using new, innovative and modern technology to give unsurpassed levels of accuracy, usability and reliability. With clean lines and contemporary bright colour schemes, the instrument looks exceptionally modern and will fit into any laboratory. The instrument has a large LCD display which can be easily viewed from any angle.

## Computer connectivity as standard!

The FP-PC software package, included with every purchase, has been written with GLP compliance in mind and facilitates the creation of data and reports in .pdf and .csv formats.

# Ease of use

With exceptional ease of use, a clear backlit liquid crystal display guides users through analysis using simple menu options. The display, used in conjunction with a comprehensive membrane switch panel ensures that accurate and reliable results can be obtained with minimal training.

As modern businesses may experience a large turnover of staff, laboratory managers will appreciate the comprehensive training video supplied with every BWB flame photometer. Our training videos are also available online in over 10 languages at www.bwbtech.com and on BWB's YouTube Channel http://www.youtube.com/user/BWBTechnologiesUKLtd

## Long term savings

Excellent value for money and very low total cost of ownership.

Selective analysis Flame photometry excludes most elements which means very little interference.

### Reliable & simple

Manipulation of the flame is the only adjustment available to the operator during operation ensuring reliable and accurate measurements every time.

## Fast!

Once the instrument has stabilized it takes just a matter of seconds to obtain results.

## **Collection cup**

Optional for 'online', continuous measurements, the collection cup turns the BWB Flame Emission Spectrometer (FES) into

an 'online', real time, 24/7 analyser with 4-20mA output linked to a single channel. Via a 2 wire output the BWB FP can seamlessly integrate with any SCADA system. Totally unique and available on all models.



# **Green Credentials**

We take our green responsibilities very seriously.

We constantly evaluate our processes and procedures in order to minimise the impact to the environment.

Our green goals

This is how we do it.

# Making our blue more green



# Tree planting promise

We have our own in house recycling scheme for factory generated waste to ensure that our employees and the company are doing all we can to help protect and preserve the environment

In addition we have an ultimate goal to plant 1000 tree for every company employee by 2025

We're proud to be the first Flame Photometer manufacturer to plant trees for every instrument sold. We're committing to planting at least 50 trees for every model of Flame Photometer we sell from 01 May 2021



Striving to meet as many of the United Nations 17 sustainability development goals is a key priority for us in our commitment to protect the environment. We have adapted out processes and products to meet the following goals:













electricity is supplied from 100% renewable sources and our natural gas consumption is 100% carbon neutral Environmentally friendly packaging created

Using LED lighting with efficient heating systems across out manufacturing facility Utilising only 'green' energy suppliers out

from pre-recycled content or utilising materials that can be easily recycled across the globe

- The use of paper based packaging tape to reduce our plastic consumption and allow our cardboard boxes to be easily recycled.
- Product design considerations such as recyclability and life cycle assessments are taken into account at the development phase of our new products





# **BWB BIO**

# For biological applications

Purpose Built Flame Photometer with specialised software, firmware and hardware

The BWB BIO has been created for measuring biological solutions and is modernized for today's research work; which requires routine, quick measurements, with high levels of accuracy for lithium, calcium, sodium and potassium elements.

Our recent release is the combination of several "wish lists" from PhD's in Germany, Chile, Colombia, USA and Canada principally in

renal research, diabetes and Alzheimer's research. Production reagents and solutions QA and QC are facilitated quickly by our unique simultaneous detection and data processing for all atoms of interest.

When connected to a PC with the BWB FP-PC app, the user can create .pdf files, .csv files, data presentations and reports that include all the key analysis data. The FP-PC Software also allows setup of the Automatic Fluid Handling System, AFHS, originally designed to work specifically with the BIO unit.

The software enables you to view and edit the calibration curves. The intuitive user-friendly operation of the BWB BIO spans all languages and appeals to all levels of users. The BWB BIO is the must-have instrument in today's research laboratory.

For sites that do not allow PCs or data acquisition in the test lab, the Printer provides the "hard copy" required for QA and QC purposes. The environmentally friendly print ink used by the printer has a minimum character capture life of 10 years. The printer is also compatible with other readily available paper stock.

To enhance accuracy and reproducibility there is an option to use either Caesium or Lithium as an Internal Reference System (IRS) that acts as an internal standard to adjust small changes during calibration and measuring.



# + FEATURES

- SPECIALLY CONFIGURED FOR A RANGE OF USER INTERESTS
- "IRS" (INTERNAL REFERENCE STANDARD) CAESIUM OR LITHIUM OPTION
- SINGLE POINT CALIBRATION
- INTERNAL REFERENCE STANDARDS
- 5 AND 6 POINT MULTI-ION CALIBRATION STANDARDS FOR URINE AND SERUM INCLUDED
- ANALYSING LI AND CA ALONG WITH
   NA AND K
- OPERATOR
- DETERMINATION OF RESULTS
- DETERMINATION OF RESULTS
- ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY INK
- IQ, OQ, PQ WEB-BASED CERTIFICATION STANDARD ON BIO AND AVAILABLE ON ALL BWB FES UNITS
- CORRECTION OF CA FOR THE INTERFERENCE FROM HIGH LEVELS OF NA







# **Technical Data**

#### Sample rate 2 - 3.5ml/min

**Tubing materials** Silicone and Tygon<sup>®</sup>

#### Specificity

Na/K/Li = <1% to each other when equal in concentration at <100ppm

#### Required desk space for instrument

50cm (H) x 45cm (W) x 45cm (D) For Safety reasons the Flame photometer requires Im of unobstructed space above to allow dissipation of heat from the chimney.

#### Instrument size

BIO Flame Photometer 51cm (H) x 39cm (W) x 35cm (D) (20in x 15in x 14in) Shipping 65cm (H) x 49cm (W) x 43cm (D) (25in x 19in x 17in)

#### Weight

BIO Flame Photometer - 14kg (30.8lbs) Shipping - 25kg (55.1 lbs)

#### **Optimal range**

Multi-point calibration Na - 0.0043 - 300mmol/l<sup>\*</sup> K - 0.0013 - 200mmol/<sup>\*</sup> Li - 0.0072 - 20mmol/l<sup>\*</sup> Ca - 0.025 - 20mmol/l<sup>\*</sup> \*With required Dilution Ratios

#### Reproducibility

<1% Coefficient of variability for 20 consecutive samples over ten minutes at concentrations of 100ppm equivalent or less. (After instrument stabilisation).

# Limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ)

LOD LOQ Na - 0.0013mmol/l Na - 0.0043mmol/l K - 0.0005mmol/l K - 0.0013mmol/l Li - 0.003mmol/l Li - 0.0072mmol/l Ca - 0.0075mmol/l Ca - 0.025mmol/l

#### Time to stability

Less than 15 seconds after sample is introduced into the flame

#### lons measured

Serum Na and K or Li and Ca Urine Na and K or Li and Ca

## Calibration concentrations

URINE Point 1 Na 25mmol/l K 25mmol/l Li 2.5mmol/l Ca 2.5mmol/l Point 4 Na 200mmol/l K 150mmol/l Li 15mmol/l Ca 15mmol/l SERUM Point 1 Na 120mmol/l K 3mmol/l Li 0.25mmol/l Ca 1.5mmol/l Point 4 Na 150mmol/l K 6mmol/l Li 1.5mmol/l Ca 3mmol/l

Point 2 Na 50mmol/I K 50mmol/I Li 5mmol/I Ca 5mmol/I Point 5 Na 300mmol/I K 200mmol/I Li 20mmol/I Ca 20mmol/I

Point 2 Na 130mmol/I K 4mmol/I Li 0.5mmol/I Ca 2mmol/I Point 5 Na 160mmol/I K 7mmol/I Li 2mmol/I Ca 3.5mmol/I

#### Point 3 Na 100mmol/I K 100mmol/I Li 10mmol/I Ca 10mmol/I

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Point 3 Na 140mmol/I K 5mmol/I Li 1mmol/I Ca 2.5mmol/I

#### Recommended minimum warm up time based on ambient temperature 21°C - 25 minutes

#### **Power requirements** 100V - 250V AC at 50 or 60Hz

#### Fuel requirement

Propane, Butane or Natural Gas<sup>\*</sup> regulated to 19Bar. Flow rate of O.4I/min \*with modifications. BWB Technologies recommends either Propane or Butane for optimum results.

#### Readout

LCD, four line, alpha numeric, back lit.

# + WHAT'S IN THE BOX

USB PC lead

- Power lead to suit region
- Gas hose
- Aspiration kit
- IQ OQ PQ kit
- Manuals covering all aspects of the BIO FP



- Quick start guides
- Warranty registration form
- Certificates of analysis for all
- provided fluids • Material safety data sheets for
- all provided fluids • The FP-PC software installation

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- 150ml of BWB recommended cleaning solution
- Cs & Li 150ml 10,000ppm calibration standards for IRS
- Complete set of calibration fluids including diluent concentrate
- 100ml conical flask with screw lid
  100 disposable sample cups
- 1L of de-lonised water
  2m of waste tube
  Set of spare fuses
  10 x 10ml pipettes
  10 x 1ml pipettes

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# **FP-PC and BWB Drive**

# FP-PC app

The BWB flame photometer has been configured to easily satisfy the most sophisticated IT requirements. The FP-PC app provides a useful interface to the BWB Flame Photometer (FP) facilitating the following operations:

- Normal calibration Report production
- Logging of streaming data for continuous on-line applications. (A 4-20 mA signal can also be output proportional to a calibrated channel on the FP).
- Extraction of data from the flame photometer when operated in automatic or semiautomatic mode with or without auto-sampler / auto-diluter known as Automatic Fluid Handling System (AFHS)

Calibration manipulation including:

- 1. Upload from / download to the FP
- 2. Storage / retrieval of calibrations using the PC or system hard drive

These functions are provided by the Welcome, Calibrate, Report, Logging, AFHS tabs together with one more (XP-Cal or BIO-Cal) that is dependent on the mode that the FP is being operated in.

The FP-PC app, included with every purchase, has been written with GLP compliance in mind and facilitates the creation of data and reports in PDF format.

## **BWB** drive

Continuing to building on modern technologies, BWB have created an industry leading USB flash drive packed full of features and resources designed to aide your daily analysis and BWB experience. Exclusively for BWB customers, this self-contained resource includes:

- Tutorial videos in 10 languages
- PC and Mac compatibility
- FP-PC app installation package (PC only)
- Links to BWB's growing online video library (internet connection required)
- Manuals, guides, warranty information and registration PDF
- A list of international support and distributor contact details
- 13 GB of free space for you to use as you please!

This wealth of information is provided in a beautifully designed BWB branded USB memory stick, which includes a built in flash light!

### www.bwbtech.com

The constantly evolving www.bwbtech.com maintains the companies striking bold colours and clean lines ensuring a crisp and easy to use interface packed full of new and exciting resources. With weekly updates the BWB website is at the forefront of the industry when it comes to education and resourcefulness, among many features it includes:

- FAQs
- FP Practical Applications
- User guides and reference materials
- Product specs and technical documents
- A vast video support library
- Support documents
- Local distributor lists
- Tech Support and Sales
- Support contact information

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BWB takes pride in working closely with its distributors from across the globe. Spearheaded by our New Media Consultant Simon Hustings, The BWB flash drive would not have been possible without the direct contribution from some of our amazing distributors.

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# **IQ OQ PQ Certification**

# IQ OQ PQ is a unique validation and certification program from BWB.

The programme has been specially created to ensure the end user has the technical knowledge required to install and initialise their BWB Flame Photometer and the technical know-how and confidence to operate any of our 2015 and onwards range of flame photometers correctly and efficiently on a daily basis.

## IQ - Installation Qualification

The installation qualification covers in detail the key steps required to correctly set up the BWB range of photometers and Auto Fluid Handling System. IQ stages include: maintenance and service plans, the installation environment and health and safety requirements.

# **OQ** - Operation Qualification

The operation qualification covers the steps required to ensure that the BWB flame photometer and AFHS are operating correctly.

The user will undertake a series of hardware checks and test readings, providing the results to BWB for analysis.

## PQ - Performance Qualification

The performance qualification has been designed to ensure that the instruments perform to the original factory specifications.

Once the IQ and OQ sections have been completed, the user runs a sample manually or using AFHS with the solutions, prints out the results and sends to BWB for analysis.

After completion of the qualification and confirmation from BWB, a signed certificate will be issued to the user.

IQ OQ PQ is a unique and effective program built to ensure technical ability, confidence and peace of mind for all users of the BWB 2015 and onwards Series of Flame Photometers and Auto Fluid Handling Systems.

To find more about IQ OQ PQ get in touch at info@bwbtech.com

## + THANK YOU

Over the years, BWB Technologies has forged strong ties within the industry and IQ OQ PQ certification is the evolution of those bonds. A big thank you to Wolfgang, Alexandra, "Eddie", Fernando, Iveta and Anna, Team Leader Harry R. Libengood - Company Co-Founder, and Hozan Edwards for their focus and dedication in developing IQ OQ PQ.



# **Testimonials**



## Alvaro Apéstegui, Ph.D., Laboratorios Labiclin, Costa Rica BWB BIO

"I have been working with ion selective instruments for a while, but after numerous errors with the lipemic samples, and the high running and maintenance costs associated with the instrument I started looking for a new flame photometer. I needed an instrument that gave me good precision, repeatability and an instrument that is viewed as the gold standard for ions such as sodium, potassium and lithium.

I have analysed many instruments but they always had something that was not adequate for my needs. I decided to go for a BWB BIO because it had very good construction and offered up to five different ions with calibration curves of up to fifteen points.

I have had the instrument for almost a year and must say that it is here to stay because of its sturdy construction, really fantastic electronics and most importantly, it will not allow you to make mistakes. Being able to actually see the stability of the readings and having calibrations that are very stable is comforting.

The communication with the people from BWB Technologies is fluent and professional. I have never had a question unanswered and responses normally come in less that 12 hour which says a lot since I am in Costa Rica and they are in England!.

I strongly recommend this instrument, and now that it can have automated sampling, makes it even easier and equals the automatic capabilities of the ion selective instruments."



# Gregory Bathfield, Electrical & Control Specialists Ltd, Mauritius BWB SUGAR

"For the sugar industry, the flame photometer is used to measure Potassium which is directly related to sugar. The flame photometer is thus used to detect sugar in condensate return to the boiler. The BWB photometer is more user friendly and easier to use than others we came across. It is really good value for money."



## Wolfgang Glock, THG-Glock Instruments, Germany BWB XP

"My experience I have made with the BWB-XP Flame Photometer is, that it is easy to install, easy to handle, gives accurate measurements and with the software the operator has a better summary of the work he has done in the Lab. The excellent service of BWB- Technologies and the excellent performance of the instrument makes the BWB- XP Flame Photometer the "best Flame Photometer which is on the market". At the moment no competitor can beat this instrument in performance and price."



# Richard Griffiths, Fujifilm Imaging Colorants Ltd, England BWB XP

"We are very happy so far with the purchase of our BWB-XP flame photometer. We are using the unit for a colours application and had upgraded from a older Sherwood model. I carry out 5 point calibrations on each ion and these calibrations appear to hold from first thing in the morning until the end of the day. The BWB-XP produces accurate values and the ability to measure 5 elements simultaneously is less time consuming than the older instrument and has, on occasion, flagged up the presence of ions which we were not expecting to see and may not have been looking for on the older instrument."

DELIGHTED WITH YOUR BWB FLAME EMISSION SPECTROMETER? EMAIL US YOUR TESTIMONIAL AND WE WILL HAPPILY RESPOND WITH 5 BWB USB FLASH DRIVES! A GREAT KEY RING HOLDER, STORAGE SPACE AND TORCH FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!



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